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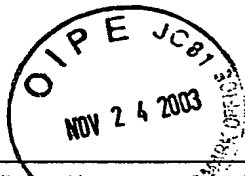
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For: BRUSH FOR A BLANKET WASH SYSTEM

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Dear Sir:

Applicant wishes to call to the attention of the Examiner the following documents, copies enclosed, which may be considered material to the examination to the above identified application:

OTHER DOCUMENTS

Copies of three photographs (marked "C-1", "C-2" and "C-3") show a prior art brush. As shown in items C-1 through C-3, a brush 14a is shown therein in fragmentary form and is a conventional prior art blanket cylinder cleaning brush. Such a brush is employed in a conventional blanket cylinder cleaning system of the type shown in document C-4.

The bristles B (C-3) of the prior art brush 14a are formed of a Nylon material having a bristle diameter (BD1) of about six thousandths of an inch (0.006"). In the example shown, the bristles B are disposed on the central shaft of the conventional brush 14a according to a first density DEN1. The Nylon bristles B of the conventional brush 14a are known to exhibit an absorbency rate of ABS1 due at least in part to the conventional Nylon material. Further, the Nylon bristles B of the brush 14a will exhibit a stiffness characteristic S1, which, for purposes of discussion herein, will generally be acknowledged to be relatively flexible.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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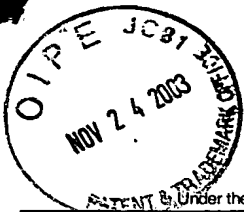
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	C1-C3	Drawings of a prior art brush.	
	C-4	Fragmentary view in cut-away of a prior art cleaning system employing the brush of documents C-1 through C-3.	

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